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BEEF TRUST PROBE BEFORE CHICAGO GRAND JURY TODAY

Attorneys For Government
and Packers Are Busy
With Evidence.

Labor Organizations Take Ac-
tion Sunday.

MOVEMENT IS NATION WIDE.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—"Revolutions have been started by less than what the American people are suffering now," says Senator Bristow, of Kansas. "Meat amounts to a quarter of the average household expenses, and ought to be cheaper instead of dearer than it was 25 years ago, because of the greater economy in its preparation and sale. When I was a boy, 25 per cent of the carcass went to waste. Now, nothing goes to waste, not even the blood."

Bristow's words crystallize the sentiment of the country against the higher cost of living. Thus far the movement has met most success in the west. The east has been slower. What the sporadic boycotts all over the country and the universal protest have done is to focus the nation's attention upon the necessity for economy. The most serious warnings that have been sounded by economists, statisticians and business men, haven't brought the truth home to the people as has their sudden realization of its application to meat.

Some Opinions.
President Brown, of the New York Central, said recently: "The most portentous cloud upon the political or economic horizon is the steady and relentless increase in the cost of living."

Professor Seligman, of Columbia, says: "The situation is so serious the government should awaken to it." James J. Hill said that unless more economical methods of farming are devised the nation in another generation will be importing food supplies. The packers advocate that the poor will be educated to eat cheaper cuts. "These are just as good and more wholesome if properly cooked," says Harold Smith, of Swift & company. "Prices are very high, but there is every indication that they will go higher."

Government Gets Busy.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—With the head of all the big packing houses here and attorneys arrayed on each side, the government's investigation of the meat industry began before the price of grand jury. Whether the price of meat is artificially high is the chief contention of the battle.

Subpoenas have been prepared for witnesses from all departments of the packing house business.

"All I have got to say," said J. Ogden Armour, "is that such cooperation as exists among the packers is a benefit to the public rather than the reverse."

Three lines of action are outlined: Criminal prosecution for alleged violation of the anti-trust law; civil action for the dissolution of the National Packing company; contempt proceedings for alleged violation of Judge Grosscup's injunction, restraining the packers from fixing prices in restraint of trade.

All New Evidence.

Practically all of the evidence presented by the government in the previous investigation, it is said, has been abandoned, and entirely new data, obtained during several months, will be utilized.

Much interest is taken in the appointment of Charles B. Morrison, special assistant to the attorney general, to the position of federal master in chancery. Morrison is thoroughly familiar with the beef situation, and a master in chancery will be selected by the court to take evidence if civil proceedings are begun.

If Morrison is selected it is said the packers will oppose him on the ground that his previous experience disqualified him.

At Kansas City.

Kansas City, Jan. 24.—The delegated industrial trades council pledged themselves to introduce to their organizations an anti-meat resolution. Each asserted that it would be adopted.

125,000 Enlisted in Cleveland.

Cleveland, O., Jan. 24.—The small receipts of livestock, according to the butchers, are keeping prices up. The number of boycotters has reached 25,000. The Trades Labor Council has asked the union men to boycott the boycott.

Continues to Spread.

Pittsburgh, Jan. 24.—The meat boycott has spread to the industrial plants of the river valleys. Meatless menus are presented at some of the Pittsburgh hotels.

J. C. Speight, of Mayfield, Will be Appointed District Attorney of Western District of Kentucky

Senator W. O. Bradley and
F. M. Fisher Meet Presi-
dent and Continue Their
Friendly Relations.

Washington, Jan. 24. (Special.)—J. C. Speight of Mayfield, Ky., will be appointed United States district attorney for the western district of Kentucky, though the appointment may not be announced at once. M. H. Thatcher, who was contesting for the place, will be taken care of. F. M. Fisher, of Paducah, and Senator W. O. Bradley, who had interested themselves in the two candidates, are on the best of terms with each other and the administration. Mr. Fisher was a caller on the president today.

For Paducah Harbor.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 24. (Special.)—Ollie James began a movement in the house today to secure an appropriation of \$25,000 to repair the damages done by the Tennessee river at Paducah as the result of the Wolf creek gorge. He expects success in the undertaking.

He probably refers to effort to secure repairs to the head of the island, where it is worn away by the river.

THOMAS GHEEN DIES; TO BE BURIED TUESDAY

Mr. Thomas W. Gheen, 32 years old, a lumber contractor, died at the home of his father, Mr. T. W. Gheen, 87, 905 Jones street, at 10 o'clock this morning after an illness of tuberculosis. He had been confined to his bed but one week. He was formerly engaged in business in Tennessee but had not engaged in any active work for the past few years on account of his health.

He leaves his father and four sisters, who are Mrs. Mary Lee and Miss Gertrude Gheen, of Dyersburg, Tenn.; Mrs. Kathie Bennett, of Dyersburg, Ky.; and Mrs. Victor Burnam, of Paducah. The funeral will be held at 3 o'clock tomorrow afternoon at the Second Baptist church, the pastor, Rev. G. B. Smalley, officiating. Burial will be in Oak Grove cemetery.

Roland Murphy.

Mr. Roland Murphy, 23 years old, died at his home at Milburn at 8 o'clock yesterday morning of hemorrhage of the lungs. He was a farmer, unmarried, and was born and reared in that vicinity. Surviving him are his mother, Mrs. Nannie Murphy, two sisters, Mrs. Maude Bidwell and Miss Lydia Murphy, and four brothers, Aubrey and Harry Murphy, of St. Louis, and Neel and Wheeler, of Milburn. The funeral was held at 11 o'clock this morning at the Milburn chapel and burial was at the McKenney cemetery.

A new law firm composed of Attorneys Pete Seay and S. T. Boaz will open an office in Paducah soon. Both are practicing in Mayfield, but will form a partnership and open an office in Paducah and will practice all over western Kentucky. They are well known in Paducah.

Beautiful Comet Seen in the Western Sky

Many Paducah people witnessed an unusual sight last night just after sunset. The beautiful Johannesburg comet, with a long fan-like tail and head almost as large and brilliant as Venus near which it was visible, sank slowly toward the horizon of the western sky, a few degrees north of Venus, and disappeared at 6:20 o'clock. Its tail was visible for almost a half hour, after the head had gone down.

Chicago, Jan. 24.—With a pretty curved tail pointing defiantly upward and a head larger than the apparent size of Venus, the new Johannesburg comet, declared by favored astronomers who saw it last night, to be the most spectacular celestial phenomenon in a quarter of a century, is in the heavens above Chicago for all to see.

"Yes, it was beautifully clear up here last night," said Prof. Frost, of the University of Wisconsin. "The comet was a very noticeable object in the western sky, and we observed it for a full hour after sunset."

CITY IS CHARGED WITH HALF COST

FISCAL COURT SENDS BILL FOR
\$600 FOR TRUANT
OFFICER.

Fiscal court met this morning in called session for the purpose of making the final settlement with Former Sheriff John W. Ogilvie. As County Commissioner John Burnett stated he was not ready the court adjourned, after transacting a small amount of business, until tomorrow morning.

As a check against the indiscriminate use of the pauper fund, the motion passed to have all of the indigents receiving aid from the county be present at the arch meeting. The circumstances of each person will be investigated, so that any undeserving people may be cut off from the pauper fund.

The bid of County Jailor Henry Houser for cleaning and heating the courthouse and jail, and overseeing the lawn was accepted by the court room recommendation of the jail committee. Mr. Houser's bid was \$1,000. The county will furnish the fuel, and will assist in paying the water rent.

The county court clerk was ordered to send a bill to the city for half of the salary paid the county truant officer last year. The city's part will be \$600, as the statutes prescribe that the city shall pay half.

Her Mother is Dead

Mrs. C. J. Acree, of Tenth street and Broadway, was called to Pembroke, Ky., today by the death of her mother, Mrs. R. E. Waugh, Mrs. Waugh was 57 years old and died at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon and the body will be taken to Clinton, Ky., tomorrow where it will be buried at 2 p. m.

Effie Green.

Effie, the two-months-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Green, of Maxon's Mill, died at 10 o'clock yesterday morning of pneumonia. The funeral will be conducted at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning by the Rev. O. J. Corryell and burial will be at the Palestine church graveyard.

Little Cypress, Ky., Jan. 24.

(Special.)—After a twelve days' illness of pneumonia, Mr. George W. Kinney, 60 years old, a highly respected farmer, died at 8 o'clock last night. He was well known and came here several years ago from Benton, where he was born and reared. He leaves a wife and seven children, living here, and several brothers and sisters, living at Benton. The funeral and burial were held at noon at the Little Cypress.

Basketball Tonight

There is much interest in the basketball game tomorrow night between the C. C. & W. and the Elks. Both teams have a perfect percentage. The second game will be between the D. A. D. and the Knights of Columbus.

FORMER SHERIFF OGILVIE IS MADE "AWFUL EXAMPLE"

Most Punctilious Man Chosen
For County's Vicarious
Atonement.

Indicted Because of Loose-
ness at Court House.

HE WILL NOT BE PROSECUTED.

On the technicality of failing to make his settlement within ten days after his successor had gone into office, former Sheriff John W. Ogilvie was indicted by the grand jury. The indictment came as a surprise and has been the topic of much discussion. The settlement with the state and county will be made tomorrow by Mr. Ogilvie, as a special session of fiscal court has been called. This morning a special session was called by former Magistrate John Burnett, county commissioner, was not ready.

Some of the friends of Mr. Ogilvie think that he was not treated fairly, as he has announced that he stood ready to make the settlement since the retirement from office, but County Commissioner Burnett was a member of the board of supervisors which is in session, and postponed the settlement. The matter was taken before the grand jury by County Attorney Sanders E. Clay, who cited the statutes, which require the retiring sheriff to make his settlement within ten days after his successor has qualified.

It has leaked out from the grand jury room that the juryman were not anxious to bring in the indictment. However, county business has been conducted so loosely in some offices in the past that the grand jury thought it better to live up to the law. It was stated that Hiram Smedley was not caught because somebody did not do his duty, and although Mr. Ogilvie's honesty was not doubted, the grand jurors voted to bring in the indictment on the technical point to set a precedent that public officers must be punctual. It is understood that Common-wealth's Attorney John G. Lovett has assured Mr. Ogilvie that nothing will come out of it, and it will be dismissed at the next term of court. County Attorney Clay this morning declined to talk about a probable dismissal of the charge.

Mr. Ogilvie's Statement.

Mr. Ogilvie did not hesitate to explain his part in failing to make a settlement with the county and state. He is one of the best known men in the county, and a man whose honesty and punctuality have never been questioned. In explaining his delay he said:

"Last November I wrote to State Auditor James and asked him about making my real estate sales, and here is a letter dated November 29, stating that I could make my sales after my successor qualified. However, on January 3, the morning Mr. Houser qualified, I made my sales about 8 o'clock in the morning about an hour before he qualified, understand."

"Since then I have been busy collecting taxes and making ready for my final settlement. I informed Mr. Burnett, the county commissioner that I was ready to make the settlement at any time. He said he was on the board of supervisors and wanted to serve on both, and said there was no need of a hurry in making the settlement. Week before last I became ill, and was under the care of a physician. About January 12 County Attorney Clay called me up and asked me if I knew that I had only one day left in which to make my final settlement. I informed him I was ready and told him of the statements made by Mr. Burnett."

"I immediately called up my attorney, Mr. D. H. Hughes, and told him of Mr. Clay's statements. Mr. Hughes went before the grand jury and explained my delay to them thoroughly. As a guarantee of good faith I turned over to the county a check for \$5,000 on January 12. I thought possibly the money might be needed for urgent debts, and paid it over to be accredited when the final settlement. I informed County Judge Barkley of the reason of my delay and I certainly did not have any intention of defrauding the county. I was ready to make my settlement this morning when fiscal court met, but Mr. Burnett was not ready and it has been postponed until tomorrow."

Thomas Walker.

Little Cypress, Ky., Jan. 24. (Special.)—While here for a visit to his son, Mr. W. P. Walker, Thomas Walker, 60 years old, of Shiloh, Tenn., died suddenly Saturday night. He was buried at the Leonard graveyard here yesterday.

State Senate Adopts Resolution, Thanking Senator W. O. Bradley For Defense of Kentucky Growers

In Senate Rev. Mr. Adams
Pulls Letters on Conn
Linn, Concerning County
Unit Bill.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 24. (Special.)—The senate passed a resolution, thanking Senator Bradley for his defense in the United States senate of the Kentucky tobacco growers.

In the house Klair, of Lexington, offered a bill, creating the department of banking with a commissioner who shall take over all the duties in that connection now performed by the secretary of state. The commissioner is to be appointed by the governor in March, 1910. The salary is to be \$3,600 a year with a deputy at \$3,000 and an examiner at \$2,000.

The Rev. M. B. Adams produced a letter from Senator Conn Linn, written in 1907, in which Linn pledged his support to the extension of the county unit bill to all counties. The house committee reported favorably a bill, making one of the state prisons a reformatory for prisoners under 30 and changing the parole law of the state.

BULLETS CRASH THROUGH WINDOW

DR. FARLEY NEARLY VICTIM OF
GUN MAN, WHILE SLEEP-
ING IN HIS ROOM.

Two bullets crashing through a window at the residence of Captain Ed Farley, 117 Farley place, State treasurer, early Sunday morning, came near striking his son, Dr. Ed P. Farley, who was sleeping in a bed opposite the window.

One bullet buried itself in the wall a few inches above Dr. Farley, while the second bullet was deflected by the window. The person who fired the shots is unknown, and it is a mystery that the police have been unable to solve.

Sunday morning about 2 o'clock Dr. Farley was awakened by a pistol shot, a smashing of glass and the singing of a bullet. In a few seconds another bullet lodged in the room. Dr. Farley jumped out of bed and struck a match thinking somebody else was in the room, but he immediately extinguished it, when he realized his peril. The shots were fired through a window on the east side of the house, and Dr. Farley was sleeping opposite a window. The glass was shattered and particles flew all over the room.

The police were notified but no clue to the identity of the guilty person was found. After the firing ceased Dr. Farley looked out the window but failed to see anybody on the street. It is suspected that some intoxicated person fired the shots without any serious intention. Another theory was some resident fired at stray dogs. Dr. Farley has no enemies that he could suspect of wishing to assassinate him.

Will Go to Florida.

Mr. Robert Isler, who is connected with the Paducah branch of the Southern Express company, has been transferred to Pensacola, Fla. He will leave early next week for Florida. Since being in the city Mr. Isler has made many friends, who will regret to see him leave.

ARTHUR BAILEY BECOMES

THE MANAGING EDITOR.
Today Arthur E. Bailey became managing editor of the News-Democrat, succeeding Henry E. Thompson, who has been identified with journalism in Paducah for many years. Mr. Bailey is a Paducah boy and has been on the staff of the News-Democrat until his promotion to the desk. Mr. Thompson, who resigned, will take a deserved rest, but it is not likely that he can remain away from printer's ink long.

Chicago Market.

May	High	Low	Close
Wheat	1.11 1/4	1.09 1/2	1.09 3/4
Corn	.68	.67	.67
Oats	.48	.47 1/4	.47 1/2
Provisions	21.10	21.50	21.50
Lard	11.80	11.57	11.57

Cotton Gin Report.

Washington, Jan. 24.—In a special crop report today, the census bureau estimates that up to January 16, 9,792,390 bales of cotton were ginned from the growth of 1909, compared with 12,656,203 bales for the crop of 1908, and 10,339,551 for the 1907 to corresponding date.

FAIR DIRECTORS RE-ELECT WEILLE

ASSOCIATION AND MATINEE
CLUB HOLD ANNUAL MEET-
ING TODAY.

Officers of the Paducah Fair association and Matinee club were elected this morning for the coming year. They are: Ben Weille, president; Tom Stahl, vice-president; A. S. Thompson, treasurer; Rodney Davis, secretary. The only change was the election of Mr. Thompson, who succeeds George Goodman to handle the finances.

Secretary Davis was delegated to attend the meeting of the West Kentucky and Tennessee race circuit at Union City, Tenn., tomorrow and will leave this evening. The meeting will begin at 10 o'clock and an effort will be made to have Paducah included in the circuit. This will give Paducahans opportunity of seeing some fast racing, as this city was not in the circuit last year. Another advantage will be that of a money paying investment in concessions, etc.

Preliminary plans for the race meet this year were discussed this morning by the association, but nothing definite has been decided upon. All efforts will be made to have some good cards here this season for lovers of horseflesh.

BATTLE BEGINS IN NICARAGUA

ESTRADA'S AND MADRIZ'S
FORCES MEET IN FINAL
CONTEST FOR VICTORY.

Bluefields, Jan. 24. A (wireless from the Colon).—News was conveyed here from the front this morning, asserting that the long delayed battle between Estrada and Madriz armies at Acayapa has begun. The fight was taken up all along the line early today. Outpost fighting began at dawn Sunday. The first skirmish at La Libertad, north of Acayapa. The dispatches intimate that Estrada troops suffered losses yesterday, being outnumbered. General Chamorra is directing the fight and is instructed to fight to a finish. The battle ground extends over fifteen miles, north and south between La Libertad and Acayapa. American gunners, under Gabriel Conrad, of Louisiana, are posted midway of the two places. Here the most desperate fighting is bound to occur. Estrada has 12 rapid-fire guns behind fortresses erected since the arrival of his troops at the front. General Fena and Matute are directing the fight under Chamorra. In the three brigades Estrada has about 4,000 men, and certain of victory. Spies also say Madriz has several rapid-fire guns operated by Englishmen.

TRAIN ROBBERS ARE IDENTIFIED

FIREMAN RECOGNIZES MAN WHO
CHAWLED OVER TENDER
AND POINTED PISTOL.

St. Louis, Jan. 24.—According to advices from Jefferson City one, and possibly two, of the train robbers who robbed the Missouri Pacific train Friday night are under arrest there. Fireman Slocum and Engineer Lutes identified one man held and said they thought the other was the bandit who didn't enter the engine cab. Both identified one of the men as one of the two who entered the train at Eureka and later climbed over the tank of the engine, compelling them to run the engine ahead and finally to cut off the baggage and mail cars. Fireman Slocum, while on his regular run, saw the two men on a freight train. He was positive that one was the man who entered the cab and threatened to shoot him. He went on to Jefferson City and notified the police. He remained in Jefferson City and helped the police search for the men when the freight arrived. Two were seen in a railroad restaurant. They tried to escape when the officers appeared.

PARIS IN DANGER OF WATER FAMINE AND INUNDATION

Bridges Over Seine Go Down,
Works of Art Damaged,
Subway Polluted.

Distress in Provinces of
France Serious.]

RED CROSS SOCIETY TO AID.

Paris, Jan. 24.—The weather is warm, but it is still raining. The Seine continues rising, causing havoc where it overflows. The basement of the Louvre is flooded. Many famous works of art are ruined by the dampness.

The government is taking active steps to prevent an epidemic of typhoid. Many sections of Paris are facing a water famine, due to bursting mains and mixing of the sewerage with the water supply. Unless some way is found of ventilating that part of the subway not yet flooded, the entire system will be put out of commission. The vilest odors permeate the subway, making travel almost impossible. Refugees from the broken sewers have been swept into the subway. While the situation in Paris is alarming, the loss so far being conservatively estimated at over six millions; it is far worse in the country districts, east and south, where 100,000 are homeless and destitute. The first communication in several days established with the Paris suburb of Ivry, says the entire town is under water. It has 20,000 inhabitants.

The famous Alma bridge was washed today and closed to traffic. A number of other bridges across the Seine are in grave danger. The destruction of the bridge, one of the most handsome structures across the Seine, is believed to be necessary to save the entire city from inundation. Consulting engineers, who have been on duty at Eiffel tower since the waters got out of the banks, declared today the great structure is in no danger. Marquis Devogne, president of the Red Cross society, of France, today issued instructions to all branches of the society to render medical attendance to sufferers. Popular subscriptions have been opened and money is pouring in. Bread rose in price a cent a pound today, and an increase in prices of meat and vegetables is imminent. Transportation lines are so badly crippled that little foodstuff is brought into the city and serious shortage is feared within a few days.

Murder Plot in Korea.

Tokyo, Jan. 24.—Five assassins, bent on the murder of Prince Yamagata, Premier Katsura and Resident General Hozgawa, have entered Korea, according to positive information received by the police today. Special detectives have been detailed to run down the would-be assassins. News of the plot came from authentic sources in Korea.

Germany Aroused.

Berlin, Jan. 24.—In the hope of avoiding a tariff war between the United States and Germany, when the present agreement of the two countries expires, February 7, an important conference will be held today in the office of the minister of the interior between government officials, merchants and manufacturers. There is secrecy and there will be no statement afterwards. There is a general air of uneasiness in German business affairs.

EIGHT PRISONERS GO TO EDDYVILLE PRISON

Eight county prisoners were taken to the Eddyville penitentiary this morning. The longest term will be served by Charles Turpin, colored, for the murder of Bob Bright, colored. Turpin will serve 20 years. The prisoners were accompanied by Deputy Sheriffs Charles Clark, Gus Rogers, Roscoe Houser and Gottlieb Beyer. Rube Wilkerson, who received two years for horse stealing, was the only white prisoner. The colored prisoners were: Tom Jones and Will Jones, grand larceny, three years; Henry Johnson, obtaining money by false pretenses, one year; Jim Cooper, grand larceny, two years; Will Butler, malicious cutting one year; Charles Turpin, murder, 20 years; Charles Heybeck, highway robbery, five years.

The Rev. W. J. Naylor, pastor of the Paducah Methodist circuit is confined to his home with stomach and nervous trouble. He probably will be able to attend to his pastoral duties in another week.